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METHODS FOR GENERATING POLYNUCLEOTIDES HAVING DESIRED CHARACTERISTICS BY ITERATIVE SELECTION AND RECOMBINATION

[X] For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos filing dates: USSN 09/713,920, filed November 15, 2000; [X] USSN 09/231,161, filed January 15, 1999; USSN 09/100,856, filed June 18, 1998; USSN 08/537,874, filed March 4, 1996; PCT/US95/02126, filed February 17, 1995; and USSN 08/198,431, filed February 17, 1994, the disclosure(s) of which is (are) incorporated by reference.

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